

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMON COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF PLATTSBURGH, NEW YORK**

February 27, 2014

5:30 P.M.

MINUTES

Present: Mayor James Calnon, Councilors Rachelle Armstrong (W1), Mike Kelly (W2), Dale Dowdle (W3), Becky Kasper (W5), Joshua Kretser (W6)

Absent: Councilor Paul O'Connell (W4)

1. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING:

RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the regular meeting of the Common Council held on February 13, 2014 are approved and placed on file among the public records of the City Clerk's Office.

By Councilor Armstrong; Seconded by Councilor Kasper

Roll call: Councilors Armstrong, Kelly, Dowdle, Kasper, Kretser

(All voted in the affirmative)

2. PAYROLLS OF VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS:

RESOLVED: That the payrolls of the various Departments of the City of Plattsburgh for the weeks ending February 19, 2014 in the amount of \$ 255,789.96 and February 26, 2014 in the amount of \$ 269,475.19 are authorized and allowed and the Mayor and the City Clerk are hereby empowered and directed to sign warrants drawn on the City Chamberlain for the payment thereof.

By Councilor Kelly; Seconded by Councilor Dowdle

Roll call: Councilors Armstrong, Kelly, Dowdle, Kasper, Kretser

(All voted in the affirmative)

3. REPORTS OF CITY OFFICES & COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- Report of Fire and Ambulance Responses for the weeks of February 13 – February 26, 2014
- Report from the Building Inspector's office February 25, 2014
- Report of the Work Session of the Common Council held on February 20, 2014
- Report of Public Hearing held by the Zoning Board of Appeals on February 18, 2014
- Statement from the City Clerk's Office of all monies received during the month of January 2014 in the total amount of \$8,370.90
- Report from the Parking Violations Bureau for January 2014
- Finance Department Statement of Revenue and Expenditures for the months of January 2014

RESOLVED: That the reports as listed are hereby ordered received and placed on file among the public records of the City Clerk's Office.

By Councilor Kretser; Seconded by Councilor Dowdle
Roll call: Councilors Armstrong, Kelly, Dowdle, Kasper, Kretser
(All voted in the affirmative)

4. CORRESPONDENCE OR RECOMMENDATIONS FROM BOARDS:

1. Mayor Calnon Proclaims "MS Awareness Week in Plattsburgh." **Mayor Calnon read into minutes.**
2. Letter of support received from Georgia Pacific for a "North Margaret Street Bike Path" and agreement to contribute up to \$5,000 for a traffic study.
3. Recommendation from the Planning Board regarding Local Law P-1 of 2014: Amending Chapter §270 of the City Code concerning special permitted uses in Industrial Zones.

5. AUDIT OF CLAIMS:

RESOLVED: That the bills Audited by the Common Council for the weeks ending February 19, 2014 in the amount of \$ 1,121,910.79 and February 27, 2014 in the amount of \$2,046,982.86 are authorized and allowed and the Mayor and City Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to sign warrants drawn on the City Chamberlain for the payment thereof.

By Councilor Kretser; Seconded by Councilor Kelly
Roll call: Councilors Armstrong, Kelly, Dowdle, Kasper, Kretser
(All voted in the affirmative)

6. PERSONS ADDRESSING COUNCIL:

Cliff Mossey 64 South Peru Street read and submitted a statement regarding snow removal on his sidewalk.

Tim McCormick First Weekends thanked the Council for considering their request to close City Hall Place for the First Weekends events this year.

7. OTHER ITEMS:

Motion to remove item 7A from the Table.

By Councilor Kasper; Seconded by Councilor Kretser
Roll call: Councilors Armstrong, Kelly, Dowdle, Kasper, Kretser
(All voted in the affirmative)

ACTION TAKEN: Adopted

A. RESOLVED: In accordance with the request therefore the Common Council approves that the

Mayor is authorized to sign Engineering Consultant Agreement with Stantec for "Traffic Feasibility Study for North Margaret Street, Boynton Avenue – Cumberland Head Road." Contract # 2014-06

By Councilor Kasper; Seconded by Councilor Armstrong
Discussion:

Councilor Kretser spoke with Councilor O'Connell the other day and even though he is not here he wanted him to express his support. And Councilor Kretser wanted to thank everyone involved with bringing this to their attention and making it a reality.

Councilor Kasper wanted to thank the PASS people as their known; Theresa, Judy, Diana. Who have worked so tirelessly to be good citizens and citizen activists. Found out the information that was necessary, identified the problem, gathered the information, and presented it to all of us who were candidates and to the previous Council and Mayor. Mark Tiffer appeared in the video as well. That's the kind of thing that makes this job enjoyable and it makes it far easier. So I really want to commend you for that. I certainly hope we can get this project done in good order. Also wanted to thank Georgia Pacific and all the businesses on North Margaret too because they were very supportive and as we have Georgia Pacific's letter of commitment of \$5,000. She spoke to Phil Racine at Georgia Pacific and he reiterated Georgia Pacific's desire to be good partners in this city as they have always felt that they been and they want to continue that tradition. They're feeling is really that safety is a primary issue but also taking care of North Margaret will also improve the quality and look and the feel of the city as the people drive in from the north.

Councilor Armstrong said as people have approached me with ideas about improving the city. I referred them to your work and have noted how valuable whatever research whatever organization that might contribute to a particular cause or proposal. How helpful that is in advancing it. I think that you are models for community involvement. I'm just so happy.

Councilor Dowdle I'm anxious to see there next project.

Roll call: Councilors Armstrong, Kelly, Dowdle, Kasper, Kretser
(All voted in the affirmative)

ACTION TAKEN: Adopted

Follow up Action: None

B. RESOLVED: In accordance with the request therefore the Common Council approves from First Weekends to close City Hall Place from noon to 9pm on the following Saturday's in 2014: April 5th, May 3rd, June 7th, July 5th, August 2nd, September 6th, October 4th and November 8th.

By Councilor Kretser; Seconded by Councilor Armstrong

Discussion: None

Roll call: Councilors Armstrong, Kelly, Dowdle, Kasper, Kretser
(All voted in the affirmative)

ACTION TAKEN: Adopted

Follow up Action: None

C. RESOLVED: In accordance with the request therefore the Common Council approves 2014 Street Drives.

By Councilor Kelly; Seconded by Councilor Dowdle

Discussion: None

Roll call: Councilors Armstrong, Kelly, Dowdle, Kasper, Kretser

(All voted in the affirmative)

ACTION TAKEN: Adopted

Follow up Action: None

D. RESOLVED: In accordance with the request therefore the Common Council approves PMLD No. 2014-1-1 "115kV Disconnects at St. Lawrence 1-Phase 3" be awarded to Stuart Irby in the total amount of \$79,884.

By Councilor Kelly; Seconded by Councilor Dowdle

Discussion: None

Roll call: Councilors Armstrong, Kelly, Dowdle, Kasper, Kretser

(All voted in the affirmative)

ACTION TAKEN: Adopted

Follow up Action: None

E. RESOLVED: In accordance with the request therefore the Common Council approves Club Caribbean to hold a "Street Jam Carnival" on April 19, 2014 from 12:00pm -4 pm blocking off a section of Rugar Street from Memorial Hall to Hood Hall.

By Councilor Armstrong; Seconded by Councilor Kelly

Discussion: None

Roll call: Councilors Armstrong, Kelly, Dowdle, Kasper, Kretser

(All voted in the affirmative)

ACTION TAKEN: Adopted

Follow up Action: None

F. RESOLVED: In accordance with the request therefore the Common Council approves the Municipal Lighting Department be permitted to proceed with the write-off of unpaid final bills for the period November 1, 2012 to November 30, 2012 in the amount of \$2,626.75. The percentage of write-offs for this period is .22%.

By Councilor Kelly; Seconded by Councilor Kretser

Discussion: None

Roll call: Councilors Armstrong, Kelly, Dowdle, Kasper, Kretser

(All voted in the affirmative)

ACTION TAKEN: Adopted

Follow up Action: None

G. THE MAYOR HANDS DOWN THE APPOINTMENT OF ACTING CITY CLERK TO KEITH

HERKALO EFFECTIVE FEBRUARY 28, 2014.

Roll call: Councilors Armstrong, Kelly, Dowdle, Kasper, Kretser
(All voted in the affirmative)

ACTION TAKEN: Adopted

Follow up Action: None

H. THE MAYOR HANDS DOWN THE APPOINTMENT OF POLICE OFFICER TO NATHAN KASPRZAK EFFECTIVE FEBRUARY 28, 2014 PENDING THE SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF A 78 WEEK PROBATIONARY PERIOD.

Roll call: Councilors Armstrong, Kelly, Dowdle, Kasper, Kretser
(All voted in the affirmative)

ACTION TAKEN: Adopted

Follow up Action: None

I. RESOLVED: In accordance with the request therefore the Common Council approves the City Chamberlain to establish capital project H8130.59, 2014 Sanitary Sewer and Pumping Station as per the 2014 capital expenditure plan plus an additional \$26,000 necessary to the completion of the project element for the Saranac River suspension bridge. The total project cost is estimated at \$956,000.

By Councilor Kasper; Seconded by Councilor Armstrong

Discussion: None

Roll call: Councilors Armstrong, Kelly, Dowdle, Kasper, Kretser
(All voted in the affirmative)

ACTION TAKEN: Adopted

Follow up Action: None

J. RESOLVED: In accordance with the request therefore the Common Council approves Contract # 2014-03 "Painting the Pipeline Suspension Bridge over the Saranac River" be awarded to Abhe & Svoboda Inc. for the total cost of \$235,900.

By Councilor Kelly; Seconded by Councilor Dowdle

Discussion:

Councilor Kelly said \$235,900 is a lot of money. I understand that also includes some structural repairs in the process.

City Engineer Kevin Farrington said no this is just painting.

Mayor Calnon said one of the cost elements is of course access. You have to suspend yourself to paint the suspension bridge. It makes staging of it much more difficult.

Councilor Kelly said and I imagine some environmental issues.

City Engineer Kevin Farrington said yes containment bottom and sides.

Roll call: Councilors Armstrong, Kelly, Dowdle, Kasper, Kretser
(All voted in the affirmative)

ACTION TAKEN: Adopted

Follow up Action: None

K. RESOLVED: In accordance with the request therefore the Common Council approves the City Chamberlain to revise capital project H8320.68, 2010 Meade Dam Design and Bidding Work by increasing the funding for the completion of the design work by \$100,000 to a total of \$350,000. The \$100,000 cost revision is an amendment to the 2014 capital expenditure plan.

By Councilor Kasper; Seconded by Councilor Kretser

Discussion: None

Roll call: Councilors Armstrong, Kelly, Dowdle, Kasper, Kretser
(All voted in the affirmative)

ACTION TAKEN: Adopted

Follow up Action: None

L. RESOLVED: In accordance with the request therefore the Common Council approves an agreement with Schnabel Engineering to perform the work required by DEC for an alternative approach to computing the required spillway capacity for Mead Dam for the lump sum of \$18,800.

By Councilor Kasper; Seconded by Councilor Armstrong

Discussion: None

Roll call: Councilors Armstrong, Kelly, Dowdle, Kasper, Kretser
(All voted in the affirmative)

ACTION TAKEN: Adopted

Follow up Action: None

M. RESOLVED: In accordance with the request therefore the Common Council approves the City Chamberlain to adjust the 2014 General Fund Budget through an increase to estimated revenue for insurance recoveries and an increase to vehicle repairs for collision damage to vehicles as per the attached memo. The transfer will not change the total 2014 budget.

By Councilor Dowdle; Seconded by Councilor Kretser

Discussion: None

Roll call: Councilors Armstrong, Kelly, Dowdle, Kasper, Kretser
(All voted in the affirmative)

ACTION TAKEN: Adopted

Follow up Action: None

N. RESOLVED: In accordance with the request therefore the Common Council approves the City Chamberlain to establish capital project H5110.43, 2014 South Catherine Street Construction for \$6,686,000 as part of the approved 2014 capital expenditure plan.

By Councilor Armstrong; Seconded by Councilor Kelly

Discussion: None

Roll call: Councilors Armstrong, Kelly, Dowdle, Kasper, Kretser

(All voted in the affirmative)

ACTION TAKEN: Adopted

Follow up Action: None

O. RESOLVED: In accordance with the request therefore the Common Council approves the budget modification to the System Administration (IT) as per the attached memo.

By Councilor Kasper; Seconded by Councilor Kretser

Discussion: None

Roll call: Councilors Armstrong, Kelly, Dowdle, Kasper, Kretser

(All voted in the affirmative)

ACTION TAKEN: Adopted

Follow up Action: None

P. RESOLVED: In accordance with the request therefore the Common Council approves the City Chamberlain to establish capital project H5110.44, 2014 Street Resurfacing as part of the 2014 capital expenditure plan as per the attached capital project resolution

By Councilor Armstrong; Seconded by Councilor Dowdle

Discussion: None

Roll call: Councilors Armstrong, Kelly, Dowdle, Kasper, Kretser

(All voted in the affirmative)

ACTION TAKEN: Adopted

Follow up Action: None

Q. RESOLVED: In accordance with the request therefore the Common Council approves the City Chamberlain to establish capital project H5110.45, 2014 Saranac River Trail Design and to include it as an amendment to the 2014 capital expenditure plan as per the attached capital project resolution.

By Councilor Kelly; Seconded by Councilor Kretser

Discussion: None

Roll call: Councilors Armstrong, Kelly, Dowdle, Kasper, Kretser

(All voted in the affirmative)

ACTION TAKEN: Adopted

Follow up Action: None

8. TRAVEL REQUEST:

A. RESOLVED: In accordance with the request therefore the Common Council approves one police officer to attend the "Empire State Law Enforcement Traffic Safety Committee Annual Conference" in Albany, NY from April 7 – 9, 2014 at a cost not to exceed \$390.50 and will be expensed to the Asset Seizure Fund (Training expenses).

By Councilor Armstrong; Seconded by Councilor Dowdle

Discussion: None

Roll call: Councilors Armstrong, Kelly, Dowdle, Kasper, Kretser

(All voted in the affirmative)

ACTION TAKEN: Adopted

Follow up Action: None

B. RESOLVED: In accordance with the request therefore the Common Council approves four police officers to attend the "NYS Tactical Officers Association 2014 Tactical Training Conference and Expo" in Verona, NY from April 28 – May 1, 2014 at a cost not to exceed \$2608.16 and will be expensed to the Asset Seizure Fund (Training expenses).

By Councilor Kasper; Seconded by Councilor Dowdle

Discussion:

Councilor Kasper is it the case that Asset Seizure funds can only be used by the Police Department?

Mayor Calnon said yes. There are ways that their benefit can spread beyond that. For example: One of the things they were able to obtain was a piece of heavy equipment that they will be using for a minimum of a year. At which point they're able to dispose of it and if Mike needs it then he can have it. But the list of actual allowable expenses is pretty clear and is all police oriented.

Roll call: Councilors Armstrong, Kelly, Dowdle, Kasper, Kretser

(All voted in the affirmative)

ACTION TAKEN: Adopted

Follow up Action: None

C. RESOLVED: In accordance with the request therefore the Common Council approves MLD Sub Station Electrician Tim Carter to attend "Traffic Signal Training" in Syracuse, NY from March 17 – 21, 2014 at an estimated cost of \$1,615.

By Councilor Kelly; Seconded by Councilor Dowdle

Discussion: None

Roll call: Councilors Armstrong, Kelly, Dowdle, Kasper, Kretser

(All voted in the affirmative)

ACTION TAKEN: Adopted

Follow up Action: None

D. RESOLVED: In accordance with the request therefore the Common Council approves one police officer to attend the "Peer Model EAP Coordinator Training" in Utica, NY from March 24 – March 27, 2014 at a cost not to exceed \$396.00 and will be expensed to the Asset Seizure Fund (Training expenses).

By Councilor Dowdle; Seconded by Councilor Kretser

Discussion: None

Roll call: Councilors Armstrong, Kelly, Dowdle, Kasper, Kretser

(All voted in the affirmative)

ACTION TAKEN: Adopted

Follow up Action: None

9. RESOLUTIONS FOR INITIAL CONSIDERATION: None

10. NEW BUSINESS:

Councilor Kelly suggested at the next work session they tackle the issue of snow and ice removal.

Councilor Armstrong agreed they have had numerous discussions, consulting with Public Works and Building Inspector's offices and seeking solutions and considering revisions to the code that might facilitate better practices.

Councilor Kelly said he doesn't thing these kind of events are going to be all that infrequent in the future.

Councilor Kasper said the Mayor raised the idea of having a city flag. She would make an announcement at the college for students to participate in a design contest for a city flag and out of the office that she runs it would be appropriate to use funds to give a winner an award for it. She thinks it is a great idea to have a city flag a sense of pride and ownership.

City Clerk Keith Herkalo said we do have a city flag.

Mayor Calnon said there will be an MLD Board meeting immediately following this meeting.

Mayor Calnon announced Public Hearing on Thursday, March 13, 2014 at 5pm in the Common Council Chambers to hear public comment regarding Local Law P-1 "Amending Chapter 270 of the City Code concerning Special Permitted uses in Industrial Zones."

Mayor Calnon announced this month he is donating \$500 to the Strand Theatre renovation. The reason that he wants to call attention to that is Strand Theatre is open, functioning and providing some great stimulus downtown, lots of big events that are happening because the Strand is open. But the key message here is it's not done it's not finished. By giving them his personal check for \$500 he hopes to encourage others to donate to the Strand Theatre renovation.

Mayor Calnon read and presented Keith Herkalo with a New York State Assembly Citation from Assemblywoman Janet Duprey.

City Clerk Keith Herkalo showed city flag and explained history.

11. CLOSING PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Cliff Mossey asked if there were steps still at the Foot Bridge if they could change it to ramps so bicyclists and wheel chairs could have access. And he questions the need for guard rails along the bike path and maybe the money could be spent for more bike path.

Motion to Adjourn by Councilor Armstrong; Seconded by Councilor Kasper
Roll call Councilors Armstrong, Kelly, Dowdle, Kasper, Kretser
(All voted in the affirmative)

MEETING ADJOURNED: 6:01pm

PROCLAMATION

2014 MS AWARENESS WEEK

WHEREAS, multiple sclerosis (MS) is a neurological disease of the central nervous system, affecting 2.3 million people worldwide, and each hour someone is newly diagnosed; and

WHEREAS, the National Multiple Sclerosis Society Upstate New York Chapter reports that more than 12,800 people in our chapter area diagnosed with MS a disease that generally strikes people in the prime of life, between ages 20 through 50, and causes unpredictable effects in which the progression, severity and specific symptoms cannot be foreseen, and the cause and cure for this often debilitating disease remain unknown; and

WHEREAS, the National Multiple Sclerosis Society Upstate New York Chapter has been committed for more than 63 years to a world free of MS, heightening public knowledge about and insight into the disease; and

WHEREAS, since 1946 the National Multiple Sclerosis Society has been a driving force of MS research, relentlessly pursuing prevention, treatment and a cure and has invested more than \$771 million in groundbreaking research; and

WHEREAS, funds raised through the National Multiple Sclerosis Society fuel the efforts of more than 325 research projects globally; and

WHEREAS, discovering the cause, finding a cure, and preventing future generations from being diagnosed with MS is an important task that all Americans and New Yorkers should support; and

WHEREAS, the city of Plattsburgh of New York recognizes the importance of finding the cause and cure of MS, a chronic and often devastating disease, and expresses its appreciation and admiration for the dedication that the National Multiple Sclerosis Society Upstate New York Chapter has shown toward a future free of MS;

NOW, THEREFORE, I James E. Calnon, Mayor of the City of Plattsburgh, do hereby proclaim March 3-9, 2014 as

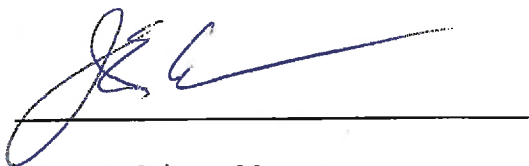
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and do commend this observance to all of our citizens. I encourage all New Yorkers to learn more about multiple sclerosis and what they can do to support individuals with MS and their families.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the official seal of the City of Plattsburgh to be affixed.



Done in the City of Plattsburgh, New York this twenty-seventh day of February in the Year Two-Thousand Fourteen


James E. Calnon, Mayor

WHEN MY DAUGHTER AND I RETURNED FROM A SKI VACATION AFTER DARK ON DEC. 30,2013, WE BECAME AWARE OF THE ATYPICAL WINTER STORM JUST PASSED. A FIRST PRIORITY WAS TO CLEAR THE DRIVEWAY AND GET THE CAR OFF THE STREET. IT WAS NO EASY TASK. 3 INCHES OF DENSE SLEET WERE TOPPED BY A HALF INCH OF ICE. A TRADITIONAL PLASTIC SHOVEL WAS OF NO USE. (PLOWED STORM ACCUMULATIONS OF THIS TYPE ARE LIKE AN AVALANCHE WHERE POWDER BECOMES CONCRETE.) HEAVY METAL GARDEN TOOLS WERE THE ONLY EFFECTIVE, THOUGH SLOW, MEANS OF REMOVAL. BY MONDAY MORNING, THE REMAINS OF 18 IN. OF "CONCRETE" DEPOSITED ON THE SIDEWALK BY THE CITY PLOW WERE FROZEN SOLID TOP TO BOTTOM. SAND WAS NOW THE ONLY WAY TO MAKE THE SIDEWALK "WALKABLE". IN A NORMAL WINTER A JANUARY THAW WOULD ALLOW FOR CLEARING OF THE ICE. THAT WAS 2 MONTHS AGO. COLD WEATHER HAS PERSISTED. EACH 1 TO 2 INCH SNOWFALL WAS FOLLOWED BY A DAY OF RAIN WHICH MELTED THE NEW SNOW BUT DID NOT AFFECT THE ICE BENEATH. (FOR MOST OF THE WINTER IT HAS BEEN POSSIBLE TO ICE SKATE ON ANY BACKYARD, FIELD OR PASTURE IN THE COUNTY.) 2 SIGNIFICANT FEB. SNOWS WERE EASILY CLEARED; 8 IN. ON THE 5TH AND 6 IN. ON VALENTINE'S DAY. THE "GLACIER" BENEATH PERSISTED AND WAS KEPT SANDED. ON FEB. 12 I FOUND THE SNOW REMOVAL NOTICE THAT DID NOT REFLECT THE SNOW SHOVELED ON THE 5TH. OR 14TH. APPARENTLY EVERYONE HAS BEEN WAITING FOR MOTHER NATURE TO OFFER A BIT OF HELP. AS IT TURNED OUT, I HAD BEEN FOLLOWING THE ACCEPTED GUIDELINES FOR ICE ON SIDEWALKS. ON FEB. 21, AM, A PUBLIC WORKS CREW APPEARED WITH HEAVY POWER EQUIPMENT TOTALLY UNSUITABLE FOR REMOVAL OF ICE FROM A SIDEWALK. THEY PROCEEDED TO DO MORE HARM THAN GOOD, PUSHING HUGE ICEBERG-LIKE CHUNKS WE'VE ALL GOTTEN USED TO SEEING INTO MY HEDGE. I WAS FORTUNATELY HOME AT THE TIME TO HALT THIS DESTRUCTION OF MY PROPERTY. THE TYPICAL BULLYING, THREATS AND INTIMIDATION BY THE CITY ENSUED. I WAS FORCED TO DEFEND MY PROPERTY AGAINST 6 CITY EMPLOYEES INCLUDING 2 CITY POLICE. ONE CITY WORKER EVEN CONFUSED HIS DUTIES WITH THOSE OF MLD. ONE PARTICULAR CITY POLICEMAN WITHOUT ASSESSING THE SITUATION OR ASKING ANY QUESTIONS OF THE CITY WORKERS SUCH AS; "HAVE YOU DAMAGED THIS HOMEOWNER'S PROPERTY IN AN ATTEMPT TO CLEAR A SIDEWALK?" HAD

ARRIVED READY TO SIDE WITH THE OTHER CITY WORKERS. HE REPLACED "TO PROTECT AND SERVE" WITH MORE BULLYING, THREATS AND INTIMIDATION. AS IS TYPICAL, CITY WORKERS LEAVE THIES SITUATIONS LAUGHING WITH EACH OTHER. THAT AFTERNOON, IT TOOK 7 CITY WORKERS USING HEAVY TOOLS ABOUT 2 HOURS TO REMOVE ICE FROM 50 FEET OF SIDEWALK. WHAT CHANCE DOES AN INDIVIDUAL SENIOR LIKE MYSELF HAVE IN ACCOMPLISHING THE SAME TASK. THAT SAME DAY DURING THE RAIN AND MELTING, 2 CITY WORKERS WERE ATTEMPTING TO SWEEP WATER FROM POTHOLES ON CATHERINE ST. AND USE COLD PATCH ASPHALT TO FILL THEM. THE NEXT DAY THE PATCHES THERE AND ON UPPER CORNELIA ST. WERE PILES OF LOOSE GRAVEL BY THE HOLES IN THE ROAD. THIS WASTE OF CITY RESOURCES COULD HAVE BEEN REPLACED WITH CLEARING SIDEWALKS. OPTIONS EXIST IN ALL AREAS. SINCE NO ONE PARKS ON THE EAST HALF OF S. PERU ST., IT IS NOT NECESSARY TO CLEAR IT CURB TO CURB BY PLOWING TOO FAST AND THROWING THE SNOW OVER EVERYONE'S SIDEWALK. MAKING MULTIPLE PASSES IN A SHORT TIME IS ALSO UNNECESSARY; NOR IS PLOWING A DUSTING OF SNOW AT 3 AM WHILE SALTING. ON THE NEXT PASS THE .1 TO .25 IN. OF SNOW WAS ALREADY MELTED. RATHER THAN ATTEMPT TO FILL POTHOLES IN WET WEATHER, I'D RATHER SEE A RETURN TO THE OLD SCHOOL METHOD OF SIDEWALK MAINTENANCE USING A PICKUP FULL OF SAND AND 2 WORKERS SPREADING SAND FROM BUCKETS. EXTRAORDINARY WEATHER SHOULD ALLOW FOR EXTRAORDINARY PRACTICES. MY SIDEWALK WAS ACTUALLY IN WORSE SHAPE AFTER THE FRIDAY RAIN AND SIDEWALK "CLEARING" WHEN THE RAIN AND RUNOFF FROZE.